

Cottonwood Heights

Weekly Update for the Week of Dec. 11-17, 2016

City Manager

- Sent all content for the January newsletter to the design team, awaiting a proof to be ready in time for the CC Business meeting on 12/20. It will be the first newsletter proofed by Kim Horiuchi.
- 2. Catching up on a lot of posting to the website (resolutions, ordinances, etc.)

Police

- 1. The police department is actively targeting porch pirate thieves taking packages from homes. The crooks are now simply following the delivery trucks into the neighborhoods. We're trying to get the drivers to call PD if they think they're being followed.
- 2. We are completing our Sergeant exam process and expect to promote in January. We are also taking lateral applications to fill a recent vacancy that has occurred.
- 3. The police department will be hosting a Citizens Academy in the spring. More info and dates TBA
- 4. Officer Matt Mann was selected by the Utah chapter of the NAACP as their officer of the year. He will be honored at an awards banquet luncheon on January 17, 2017, coinciding with Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Community Development

1. The CHBA held its Holiday Open House and Sub for Santa event to benefit two families in the city. Businesses and people in Cottonwood Heights were very generous in helping these families have a happy holiday.

Administrative Services

1. Christmas gifts for neighboring communities and community partners have been compiled and are being delivered by staff members.

Emergency Management Update:

- 1. A short summary for the last few weeks could simply say worked on 2017 Quarter 1 training with Unified Fire and Year 2017 training with Red Cross.
- 2. Scheduled ICS 100, 200, 700 and 800 classes for new Cottonwood Heights staff Jan 10, 23, Feb 9 and 23. 1 4 pm. Participants will take class and test at end of each class. This core series then allows CH to enroll staff in additional position specific training for Emergency Response. All classes will be taught in our building eliminating the need for staff to add in extra travel time. Unified Fire will provide instructors at no cost.

- 3. Scheduled "Extreme Event" class for March 9th 1 4pm. This class simulates a response to a disaster. It would be beneficial to get all department heads and elected officials to attend. I will provide an overview brief for you in early January.
- 4. Scheduled Red Cross Shelter training at 12 churches in 2017. As each location is completed, they will be added to resource list for Red Cross. The benefit to CH is many locations trained to operate at a standard for shelters that is consistent. Should CH decide to open a shelter prior to Red Cross arriving, this will ensure that the handoff to Red Cross will be seamless.

Tips for Avoiding Winter Bugs:

- Get vaccinated against flu
- Wash your hands often
- Limit exposure to infected people
- Keep stress in check
- Eat right
- Sleep right
- Exercise

Safety Moment

Several of our staff members have missed work due to illness already this winter. During this time of year it is important to keep our hands clean and away from your face where germs can easily enter the body. We have installed hand sanitizer dispensers around city hall to help keep the spread of germs down. We have also been given PTO or sick leave to allow us to stay home when we are sick. Please take time to stay home and recover so that you don't spread illness to others.

Photos



Figure 1- Snow sculpting during the snowstorm on Friday, December 16, 2016. The loaders allow us to pile the snow higher while not damaging property or pushing fences over.